Ultimate Photoshop Training: From Beginner to Pro

WORKBOOK - Section 1

Master Photoshop without any previous knowledge
with this easy-to-follow course

A few words from Chris Barin

First of all - **thank you!** Thank you for choosing me as your Photoshop instructor. It means a lot to me.

When I first got started designing websites in Photoshop, I craved information - I watched every tutorial I could get my hands on, yet I was constantly disappointed: I saw boring, lack-luster courses that had nothing to do with real projects.

This is why I decided to teach. I want to share my experience *'in the trenches'*. Real-world techniques that actually matter, not textbook fluff that bores you to death. My goal is to teach you skills that can be applied immediately and get you great results.

I teach out of passion first and foremost. That's what drives me. I hope you'll feel that even through Mark's voice. Photoshop can be complicated, intimidating, and frustrating. If you ever get stuck, just ask for help! I'm here for you, though even I have to sleep sometimes :)

Please use this guide to improve your experience and I hope to see a positive review from you.
Thank you,
Chris.

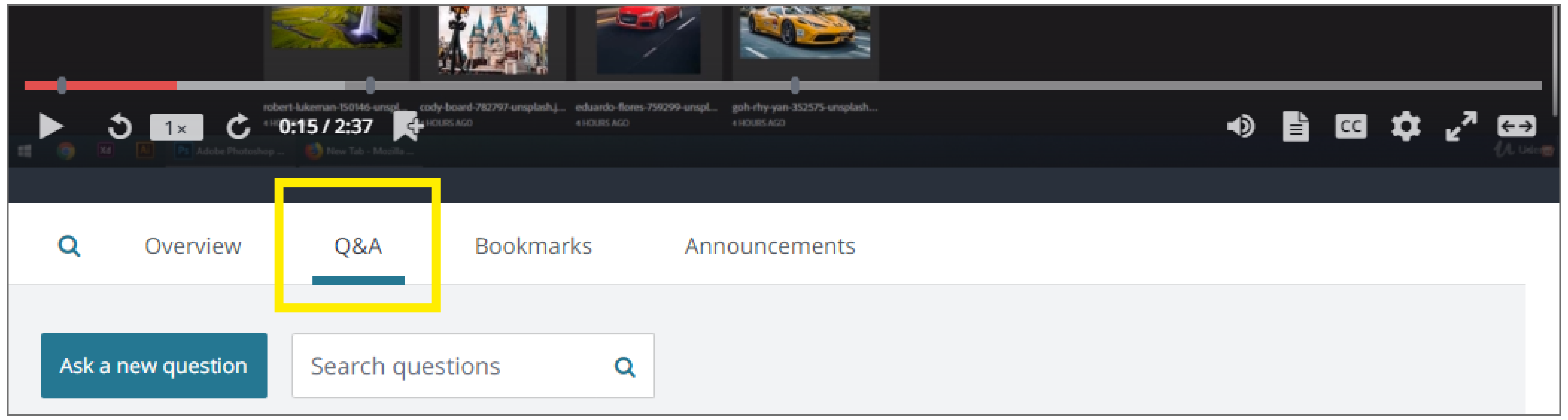
Frequently Asked Questions - Section 1

1 Best way to watch the course

Please watch most lectures **two times**. This will help you improve your skills faster.

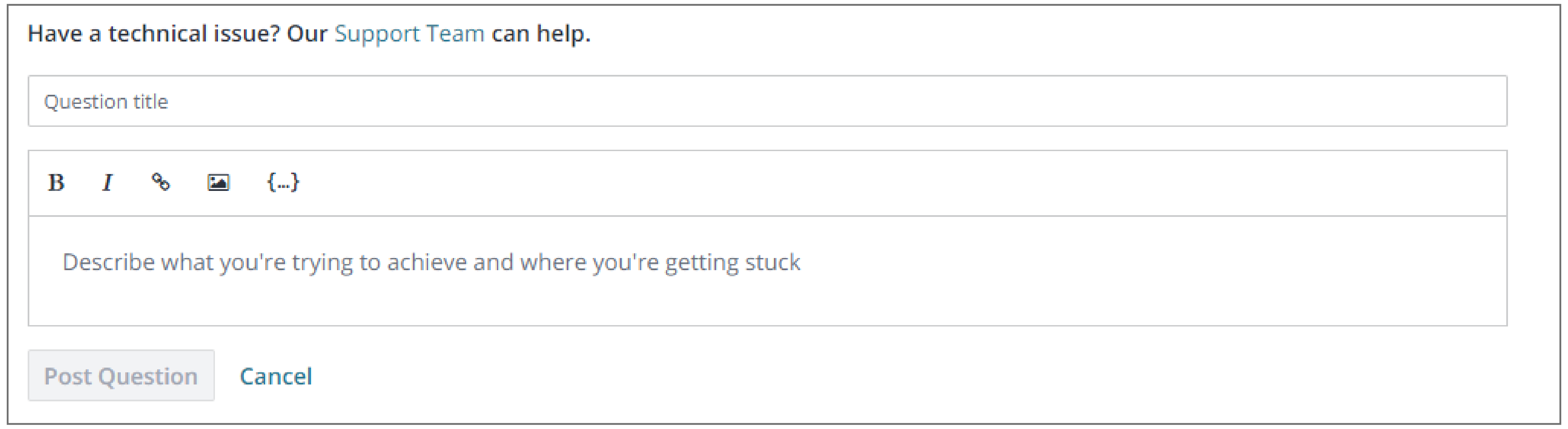
First time watching a lecture: don't try to work, just watch & learn. See the FAQ if needed
Second time: pause as often as you need to and go back if something isn't clear. Work along!

2 How to access the Q&A section.



While watching the lecture, click on the **"Q&A"** tab under it

To ask a question yourself, just click on the **"Ask a new question"** button



Have a technical issue? Our Support Team can help.

Question title

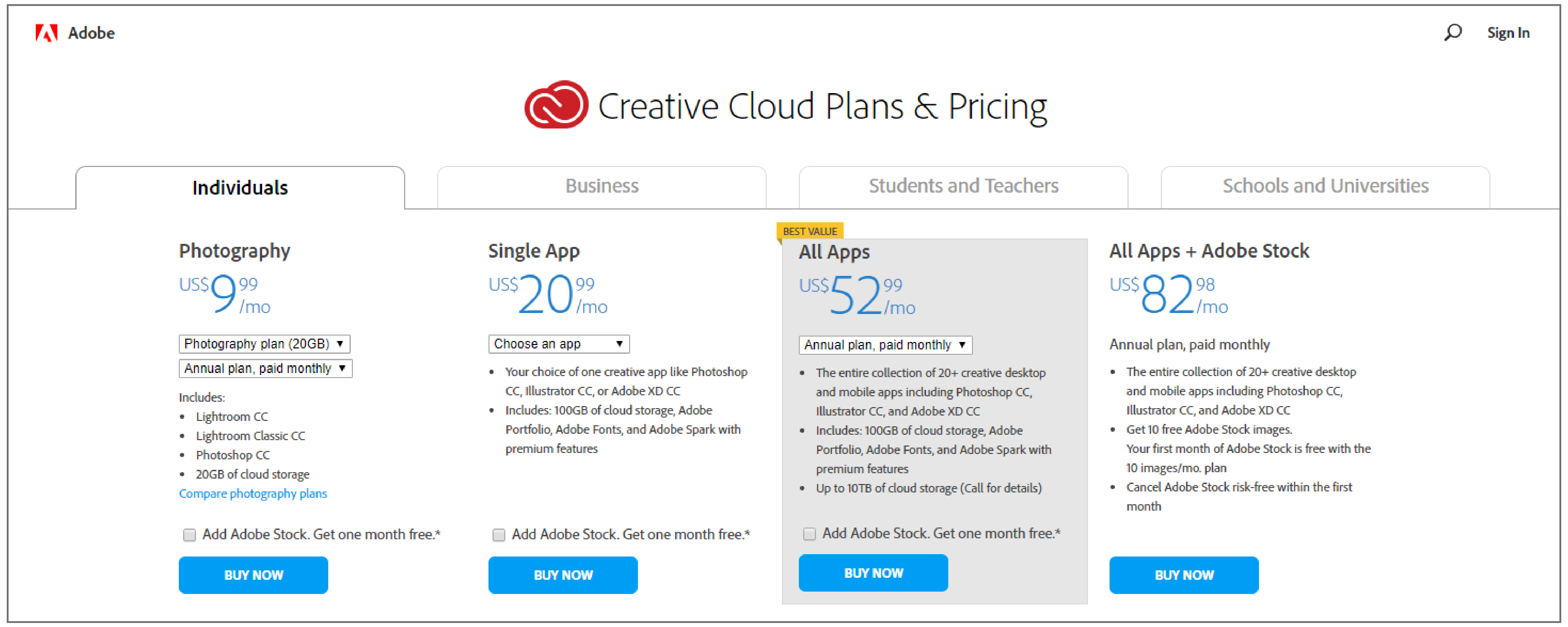
Describe what you're trying to achieve and where you're getting stuck

Now you can send us any question you may have! You can also attach your work by dragging and dropping images in the text box (.png or jpg)

Once you're done just click on "**Post question**". Usually you will get an answer in about a day (except for weekends)

3 What Photoshop version do I need?

Best: Photoshop CC; Download: **www.adobe.com**
It starts from $10/month, you have a free 7 day trial.



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- Cancel Adobe Stock risk-free within the first month

Minimum: at least Photoshop CS6, though not ideal.

Do NOT use **Photoshop Elements.** It's a different software. Best way to go is CC, preferably 2019

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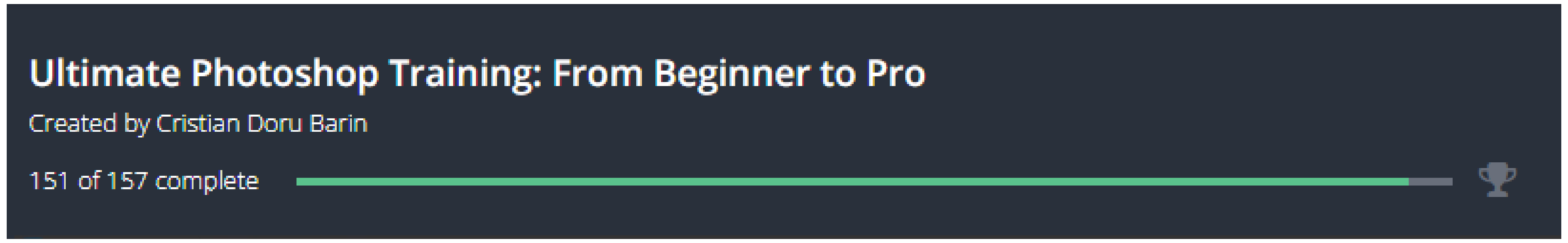
4 How do I get my certificate?



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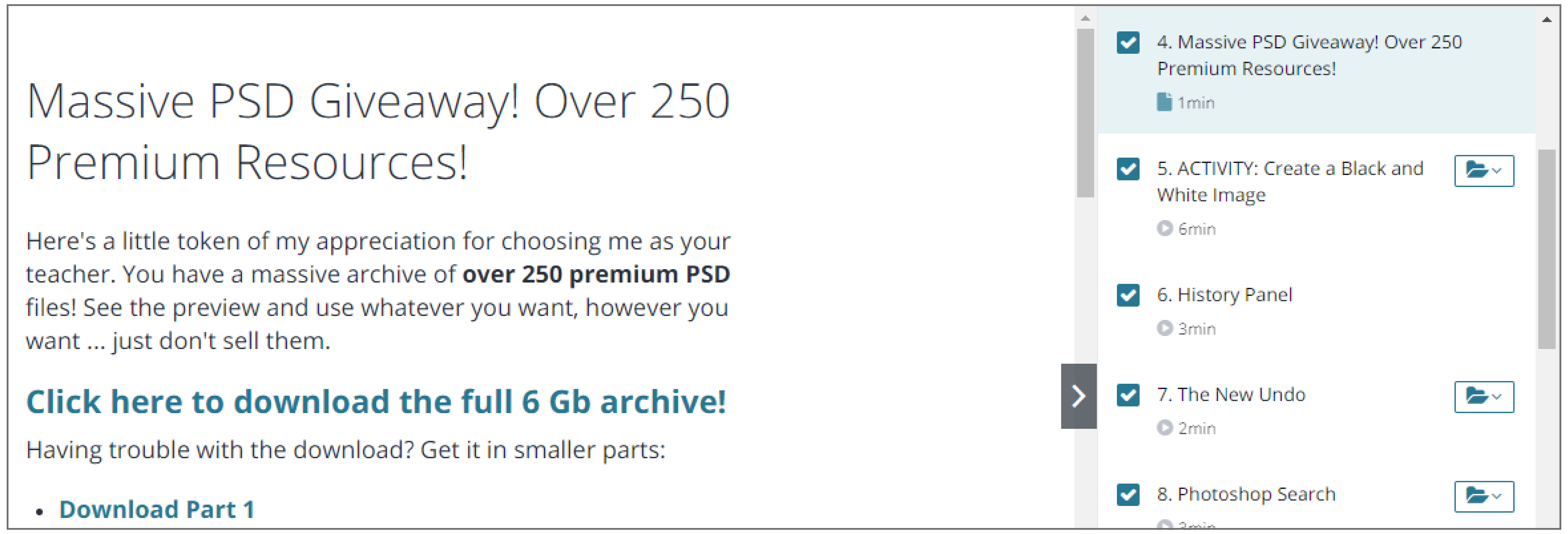
After you watched all the lectures and completed the course, the trophy at the end of the bar will appear highlighted on the course dashboard, this means your certificate of completion is ready. Click on the trophy to view the certificate.

If you're having issues, visit this link for more details:
https://support.udemy.com/hc/en-us/articles/229603868-Certificate-of-Completion

6 Where do I get the massive giveaway pack?

Section 1, Lecture 4, called "**Massive PSD Giveaway!**".



Massive PSD Giveaway! Over 250 Premium Resources!

Here's a little token of my appreciation for choosing me as your teacher. You have a massive archive of **over 250 premium PSD** files! See the preview and use whatever you want, however you want ... just don't sell them.

Click here to download the full 6 Gb archive!

Having trouble with the download? Get it in smaller parts:

- **Download Part 1**

☑ 4. Massive PSD Giveaway! Over 250 Premium Resources!
1min

☑ 5. ACTIVITY: Create a Black and White Image
6min

☑ 6. History Panel
3min

☑ 7. The New Undo
2min

☑ 8. Photoshop Search

5 My Photoshop looks different!

That's not a problem. Most of what I teach you is version independent! There are minimal changes between CC versions. Photoshop CS6 is **not ideal** for this course. It's OK, but not great.

If you're using the latest Photoshop CC version but there are still major differences between your Photoshop and what you see in the lecture, in section 2, we will go over customizing your interface in the "Customize Your Workspace" lecture.

7 Can't watch lectures?

Sometimes Udemy has technical problems that are out of my control. You may experience low quality videos, no sound or lectures not loading at all. If that happens please try again later in a few minutes or contact Udemy technical support.

Videos are blurry? Please manually select 1080p from the video player settings. If that is not available please contact Udemy.

All my videos are recorded at 1080p or 2560x1440.

8 How can I download the lectures?

Sorry, you can't. My courses **cannot** be downloaded. But you do have a lifetime access! This means you can return to the course any time, no matter how much time has passed since you bought the course. Keeping the course online is especially useful for students, it provides a structured, streamlined learning experience. Everything is designed to help you learn faster!

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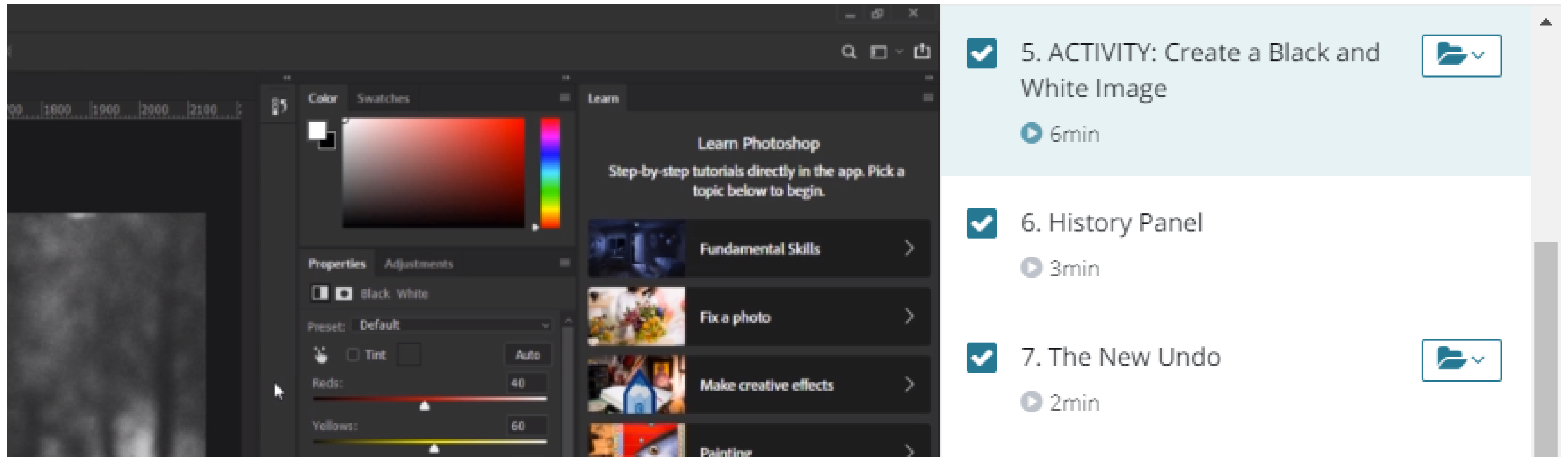
9 How do I work along?

You should watch a lecture without any interruptions. Then, rewind from the start, work along, and pause as often as you need to. Some lectures have attachments. Acces and download them by clicking on the **folder** next to the lecture's name.



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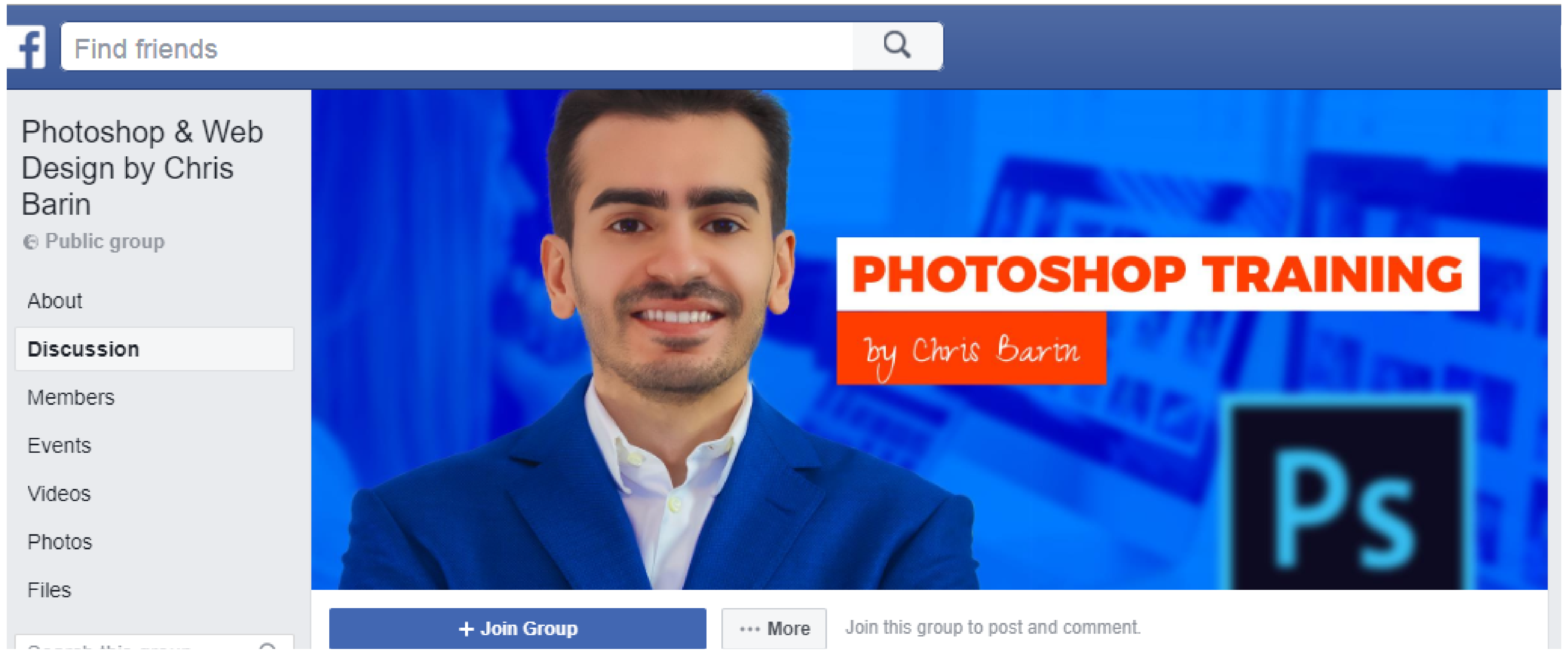
10 Where's the Facebook group?

I am not allowed to give you a direct link so you will have to look for "**Photoshop & Web Design by Chris Barin**" and you'll find it. I review each member request every day or so.



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11 The course is too fast!

If you feel the pace is too quick, please continue to watch. Everything will be explained in depth at a later point. The first few lectures are the most difficult ones! Ask for help if you get stuck, and you will get a reply within a day most of the time (except weekends).

12 Who is the British guy?

That's **Mark**. He helps me (Chris) with the audio because he has a silky smooth voice. I show up from time to time, but I want you to have the best possible learning experience and I feel my accent may get in the way of that. Still, we communicate through private messages, Q&A, or the Facebook group.

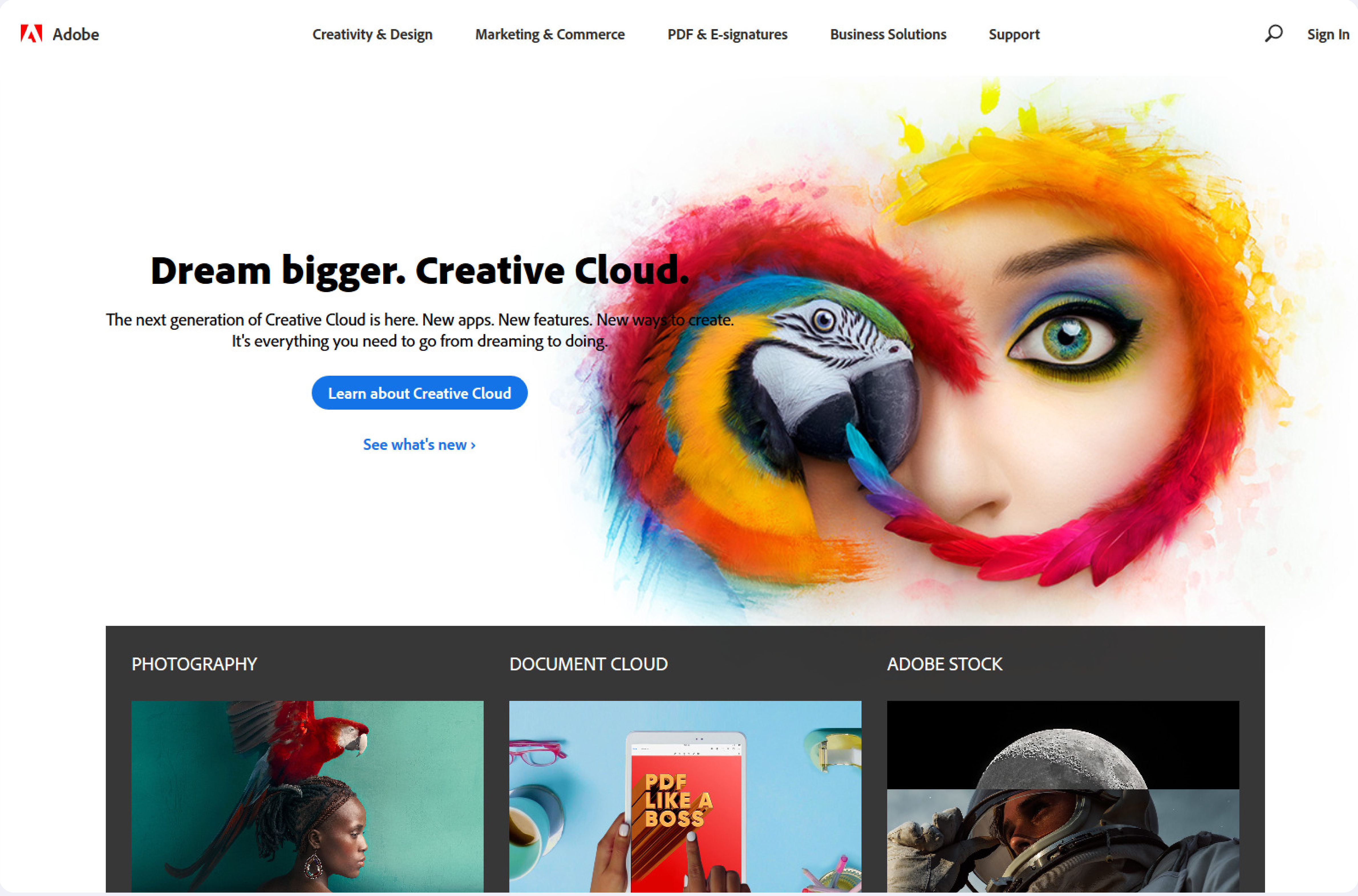
Get the Best Photoshop Version

Tips & important info

- Anything **older** than Photoshop CS6 is extremely outdated;
- **Photoshop Elements** is not a viable option;
- **Photoshop CS6** is ok, but not great;
- **Photoshop CC** is the best way to go;

- Install Photoshop from **www.adobe.com**.
- Create an account and get a **7 day trial**, no credit card required.

Photoshop starts at **$10/month**. Prices vary from country to country.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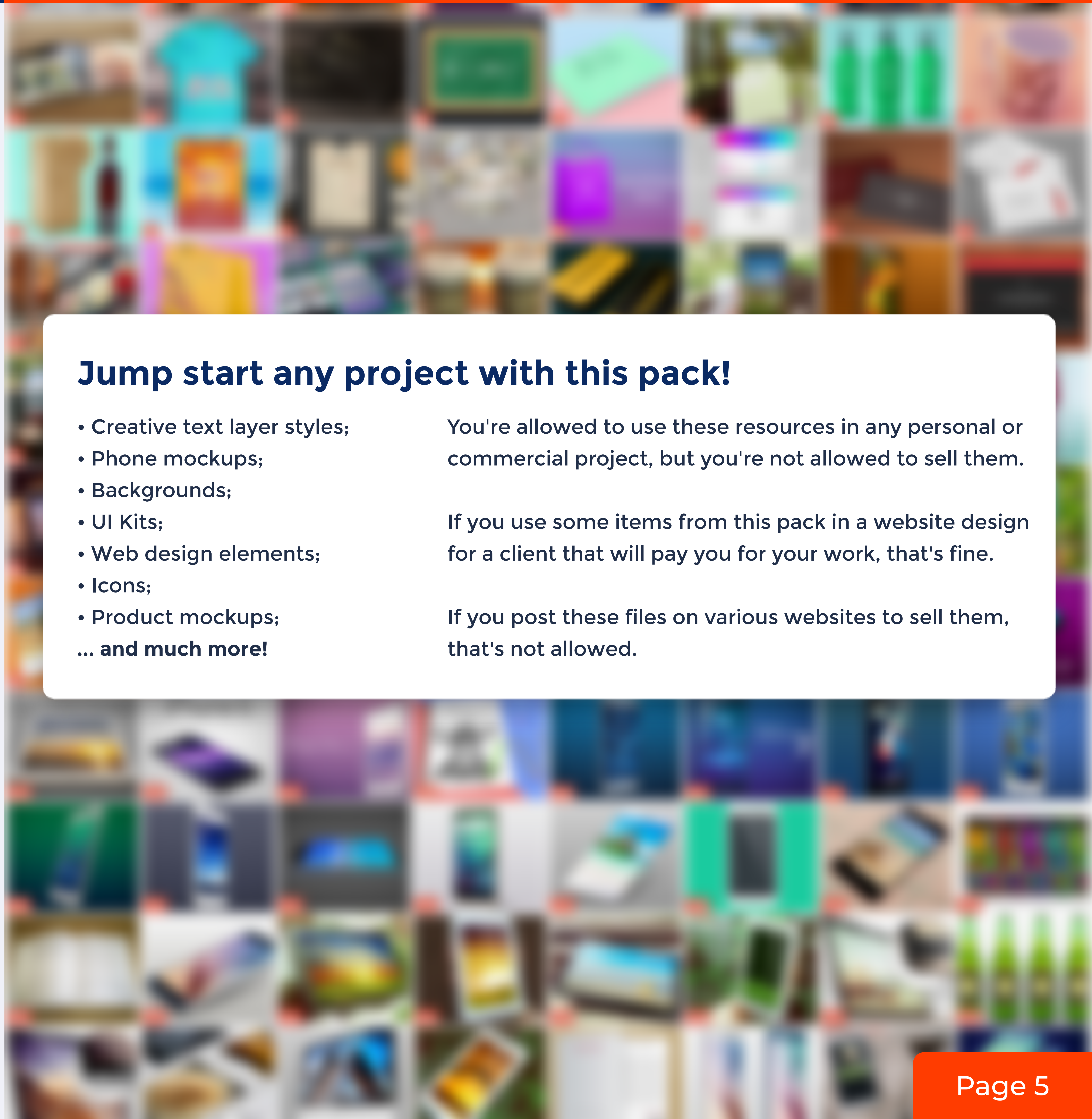


Jump start any project with this pack!

- Creative text layer styles;
- Phone mockups;
- Backgrounds;
- UI Kits;
- Web design elements;
- Icons;
- Product mockups;

... and much more!

You're allowed to use these resources in any personal or commercial project, but you're not allowed to sell them.

If you use some items from this pack in a website design for a client that will pay you for your work, that's fine.

If you post these files on various websites to sell them, that's not allowed.

ACTIVITY: Create a Black and White Image

Tips & important info

OBJECTIVE
This lecture teaches you how to apply a black & white adjustment layer and modify it through the brush tool.

HOW DOES IT WORK

- The adjustment layer needs to be placed **above** the image you want to edit. If you have multiple images, the Black & White layer needs to be above them in the layers panel.

- The brush tool **removes** parts of the adjustment layer. This is why the original red comes back. **You can't change the color to anything else**. We have a separate lecture for that type of effect.

- Use pure black (#000) for the brush tool to bring back the original color; Use pure white (#fff) to re-apply the

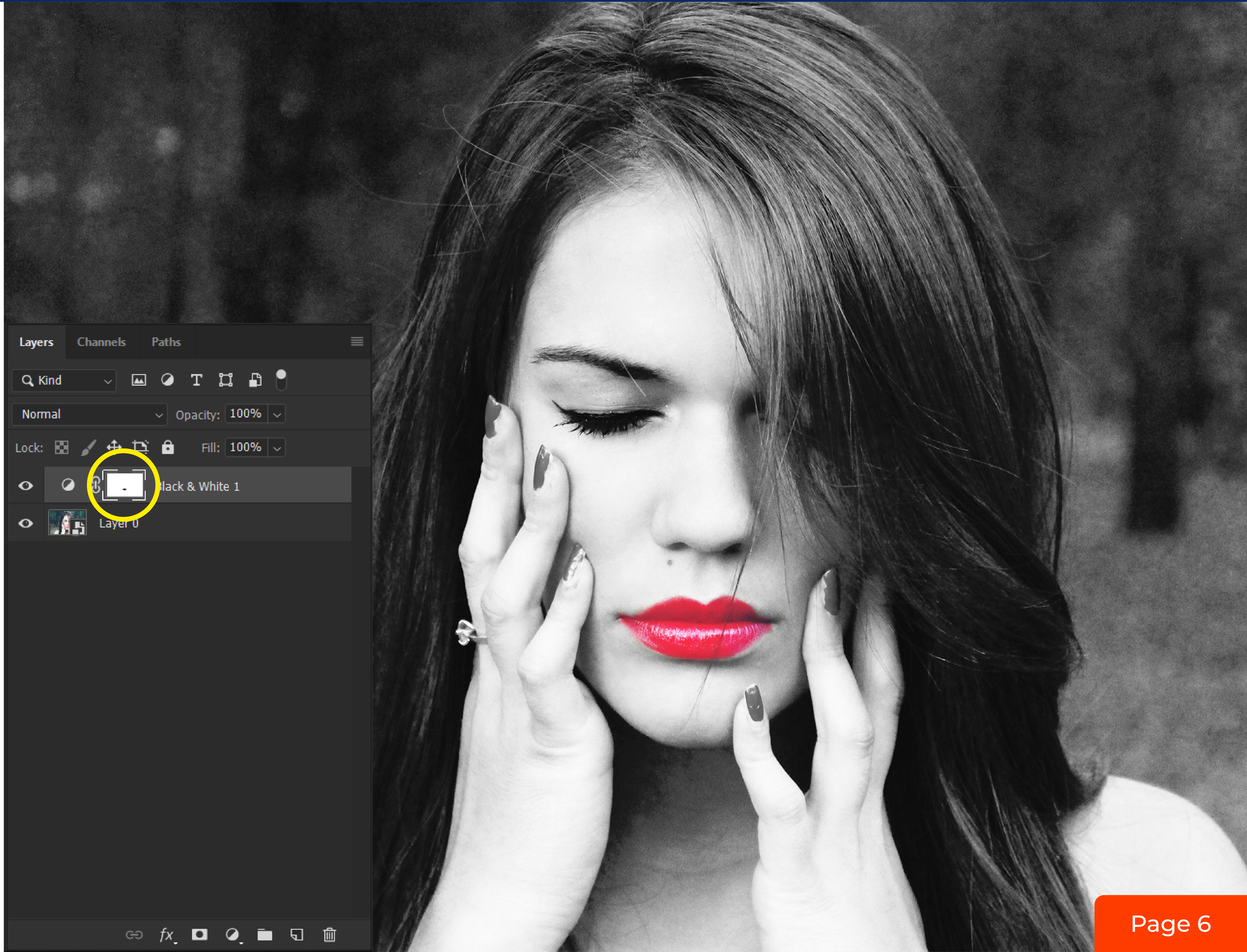
ESSENTIAL

- Make sure you select the layer mask as shown in the picture to the right. Do not select the 'yin-yang' symbol or anything else.

- Use your square bracket keys to quickly resize the brush tool: [and]

- Export the project as a PNG/Jpeg by using the hotkey: Alt + Ctrl + Shift + S.

- Try the technique on another photo. Upload it by hovering over the video and clicking the Q&A button.



Normal
Opacity: 100%
Fill: 100%

The History Panel

Tips & important info

OBJECTIVE

This lecture will show you how the history panel works and to use it.

HOW DOES IT WORK

- Photoshop always monitors and records a predefined number of actions(the number of actions can be changed from the preferences window)

- To open the history panel go to **window>history**. In this new panel you will be able to see the changes made in a project from the moment the project was opened or created. You can see only 20 entries by default.

- If you want to undo a change or a group of changes, click anywhere above the last entry at the bottom of the list. All entries after the one you selected will be grayed out but you

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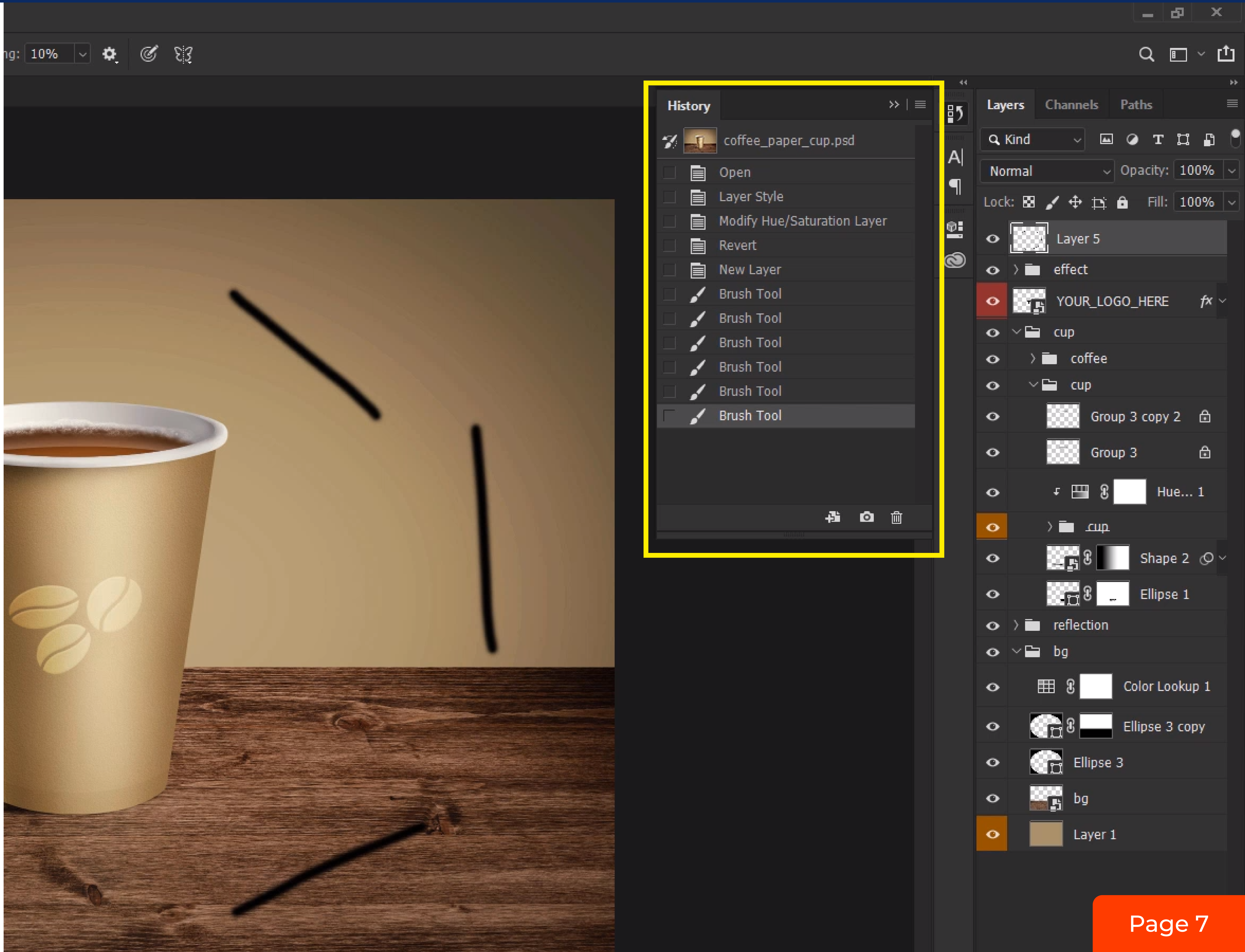
- If you undo a lot of actions and then change something in your document, you will loose the steps you retraced.

- The entries in the history panel clear if you close your document, even if the document was saved.

- Use F12 To revert to the original state of your document(This only works if the document has already been saved)

- You can use the Ctrl+Z hotkey to undo and incidentally go back through the entries in the history panel. Ctrl+Alt+Z will cycle between the latest change and the one before it.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Ellipse 3 copy
Ellipse 3
bg
Layer 1

The New Undo

Photoshop CC 2019

Ctrl + Z to undo multiple steps

Alt + Ctrl+ Z to toggle between states

Photoshop CS4 - CC 2019

Ctrl + Z to undo one step

Alt + Ctrl+ Z to undo multiple steps

OPTIONAL: Speed up Photoshop

Tips & important info

ESSENTIAL

- Laptops are incredibly underpowered and/or overpriced compared to any similarly priced desktop computer;

- **Intel** is still king as far as CPUs are concerned. Spend most of your budget on a good one, preferably a model with a 'K' at the end (8700K, 9900K, etc);

- Don't buy a cheap graphics card; Choose a best-selling one, but only after you've bought a great CPU;

- 16 Gb of DDR4 RAM is the best way to go; Go with 8 Gb if you're on a budget, 32 if you're making money from your projects; **Brands, design, frequency don't matter!**

- Buy a good SSD with a lot of warranty, but keep it as empty as you can;
I suggest you use **Dropbox** to keep some of your less important files on your
cloud. Never choose an SSD that has **less than 250 Gb!** I recommend Samsung;

- Keep your History States to under 50. Preferably 20-30;

https://www.pugetsystems.com/recommended/Recommended-Systems-for-Adobe-Photoshop-CC-139/Hardware-Recommendations

Photoshop Search

Tips & important info

OBJECTIVE
Search for tools, features, tutorials, hotkeys, stock photos, panels, all from inside the program.

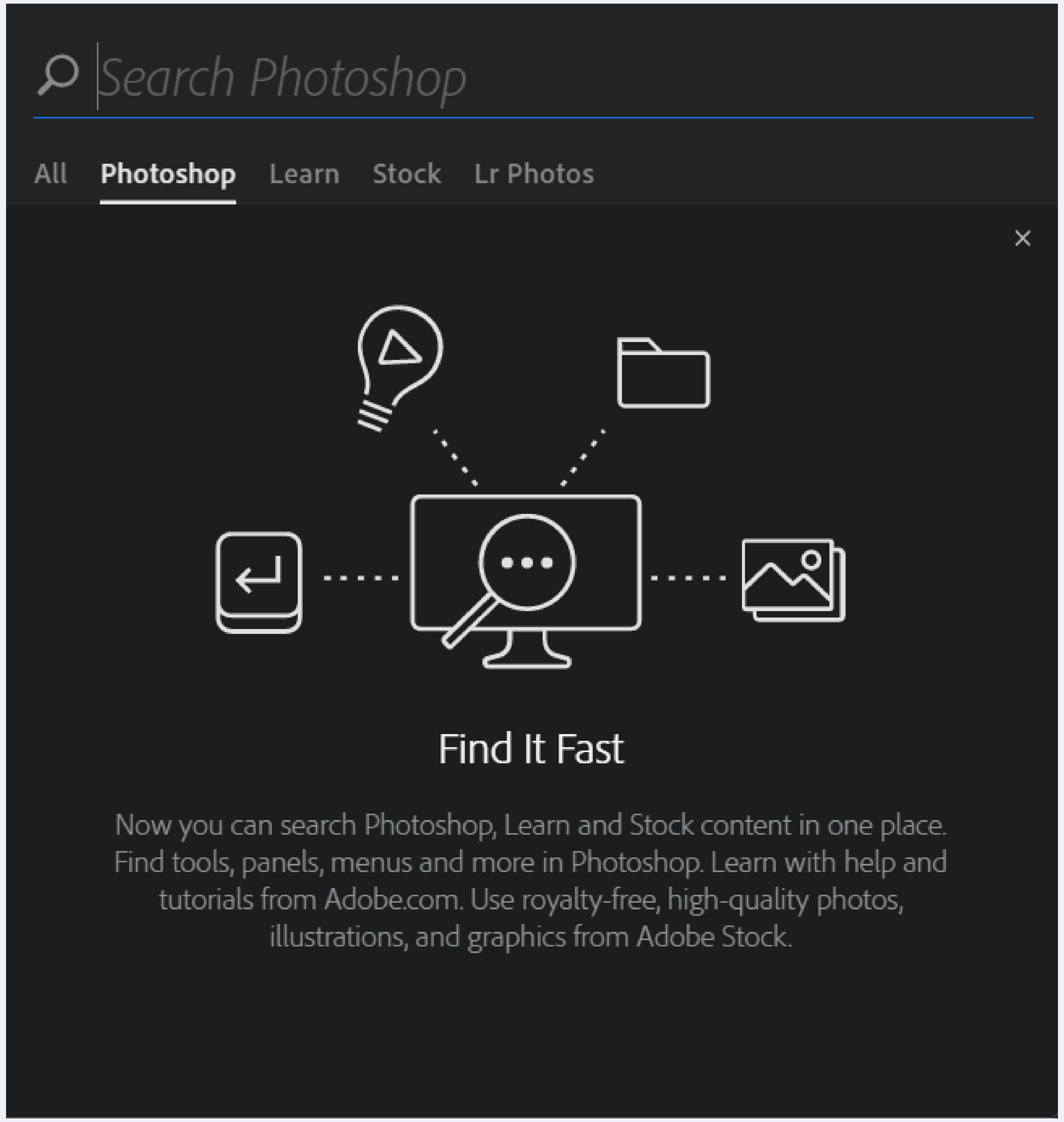
HOW DOES IT WORK
- Photoshop allows you to search both inside the program, but also on Adobe's websites. This is how you get access to their tutorials;

- As you type, the search starts to populate with results so you don't need to remember the full name of the feature you're looking for.

ESSENTIAL
- Use Ctrl + F to launch the search feature anytime - with or without a project opened. This applies only from CC 2019 and on;

- For Adobe Stock, I recommend you use their website so you can better see what you're about to download;

- The search feature is **not available in CS6**.



Find It Fast

Now you can search Photoshop, Learn and Stock content in one place. Find tools, panels, menus and more in Photoshop. Learn with help and tutorials from Adobe.com. Use royalty-free, high-quality photos, illustrations, and graphics from Adobe Stock.

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